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SUBJECT: PROPOSED INCREASE IN IMF/IBRD SALARIES

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1. AS REQUESTED REFTEL, ECONOFF MET WITH JOHN MARTIN, ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY, AND CHRISTOPHER PINFIELD OF TREASURY'S EXTERNAL ECONOMIC DIVISION TO DISCUSS PROPOSED IMF/IBRD SALARY INCREASE. AFTER ECONOFF HAD OUTLINED THE POINTS RAISED IN REFTEL, MARTIN REPLIED THAT GOVERNMENT OF NEW ZEALAND (GNZ) HAD NOT RECEIVED ANY INDICATION FROM ITS OWN FUND/BANK REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PROPOSED COST OF LIVING (COL) INCREASE SLATED FOR MARCH 1. AS SUCH IT WAS DIFFICULT FOR HIM TO GIVE A DEFINITIVE REPLY. THE GNZ WOULD, HOWEVER, IMMEDIATELY LOOK INTO THE MATTER AND WOULD SHORTLY BE BACK IN TOUCH.

2. THIS SAID, MARTIN WENT ON TO REMARK THAT HE WAS IMPRESSED BY THE USG ARGUMENTATION AGAINST GRANTING THE COL INCREASE ON MARCH 1 AS SUGGESTED. HE ALSO SAID THAT THE GNZ, LIKE THE U.S., FELT THAT BANK AND FUND OFFICIALS WERE ALREADY ADEQUATELY PAID AND THAT CONSEQUENTLY HE SUSPECTED THE GNZ WOULD SUPPORT THE U.S. ON THIS ISSUE AS THEY HAD ON SIMILAR CASES IN THE
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